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1. US REP REACHED SOVIET REP (LIKHATCHEV) LATE SATURDAY NIGHT, APRIL 9, (CCD NOT IN SESSION FROM APRIL 7 THROUGH 13), AND CONVEYED POINTS (A) THROUGH (C) OF REFTEL. US REP PARTICULARLY UNDERSCORED REMARKS IN REFTEL PARA (C) THAT US HOPED BOTH SIDES COULD AVOID CONTROVERSY ON ISSUES SUCH AS TREATMENT OF PNES AND VERIFICATION (SO THERE WOULD BE NOT DOUBT WHAT WAS INVOLVED) AND DREW ATTENTION TO WASHINGTON'S HOPE BOTH SIDES COULD EMPHASIZE THEIR
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COMMON DESIRE TO ACCELERATE PROGRESS TOWARD A CTB AND AVOID PUBLIC CONTROVERSY.

2. LIKHATCHEV APPRECIAED US COURTESY IN CONVEYING THIS INFORMATION; SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE TO COOPERATE AND CONSULT IN ADVANCE WITH US REP, AS BOTH REPS HAD BEEN DOING THROUGHOUT SPRING SESSIONNS AND NOTED HE APPRECIATED PERSONAL AND

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PROFESSIONAL ELEMENT IN THIS REALTIONSHIP. HE SAID HE
WBBD, IN ADDITION, COMMUNICATE WITH MOSCOW, AND WOULD ADVISE
IF THERE WERE ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO US APPROACH.

3. COMMENT: LIKHATCHEV'S REFERENCE TO CONTINUING COOPERATION
AND ADVANCE CONSULTATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND US DELS SERVED
TO EMPHASIZE EXTENT TO WHICH BOTH DELS HAVE COOPERATED IN
ADVISING EACH OTHER IN ADVANCE OF INTENTION TO SPEAK, GENERAL
NATURE OF STATEMENT, ADVANCE COPIES OF STATEMENTS WHEN
FEASIBLE, AND WHEN APPROPRIATE COORDINATION OF APPROACHES
ON MATTERS WHERE BOTH SIDES WERE AGREED. SOVIET DEL'S
RELATION WITH US DEL HAVE AT ALL TIMES BEEN PROFESSIONAL,
CORRECT, AND CORDIAL, IRRESPECITE OF WHAT MIGHT BE SAID IN
MOSCOW PULBICLY BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES OR IN CONTROLLED SOVIET
PRESS ON ARMS CONTROL ISSUES. SOV DEL, OF COURSE, HAS
PARTICULAR INTERST IN THIS ATTITUDE IN CCD, BECAUSE OF
IMPORTANCE IT ATTACHES TO CO-CHAIRMANSHIP CONCEPT. US DEL
HAS COOPERATED FULLY IN SUCH MUTUALITY OF APPROACHES AS
US DEL'S INSTRUCTIONS WARRANTED, AND IN THIS RESPECT HAS
INITIATED THE THREE CO-CHAIRMEN'S PROPOSALS WHICH HAVE BEEN
PRESENTED THUS FAR (CCD SPRING SESSION WORK PROGRAM,
INVITATION OF IAEA TO SEND OBSERVER TO CTB DISCUSSIONS,
AND PENDING INITIATIVE ON CCD PROCEDURES). NEVERTHELESS,
IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SOVIETS HAVE ON OCCASION USED OTHER
MEMBERS OF EE BLOC, SUCH AS MONGOLIA AND EAST GERMANY, TO
MAKE STRONGER STATEMENTS ADVOCATING SOV POSITION THAN
SOV DEL WOULD ITSELF, AS WAS PARTICULARLY EVIDENT IN
CONNECTION WITH MDW AND REITERATION OF STANDARD SOVIET BLOC
LINE ON NO-FIRST-USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BETWEEN WARSAW PACT
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AND NATO. IN THIS CONNECTION , OF COURSE, USSR HAS ALREADY
INTRODUCED IN CCD ON FEBRUARY 22, 1977 ITS PROPOSED DRAFT
TREATY ON CTB (CCD/523), WHICH SPECIFICALLY PROVODES FOR
CONTINUANCE OF PNES UNDER TERMS DESCRIBED IN THAT DOCUMENT,
AS WELL AS FOR VAGUELY-DESCRIBED ON-SITE INSPECTION ELEMENT
IN OTHERWISE STANDARD SOVIET VERIFICATION PROPOSALS. THUS,
USSR DEL CAN, WITHOUT NOTABLY CONTROVERSIAL TONE, SIMPLY
REITERATE POSITIONS DESCRIBED IN THAT DOCUMENT. HENCE,
US REP BELIEVES THAT TONE OF SOV DEL COMMENTS,
DURING DISCUSSION OF CTB IN CTB MEETINGS COMMENTING
WEEK OF APRIL 18, MAY IN GOOD PART DEPEND ON JUST EXACTLY
WHAT IT IS US DEL IS ABLE TO SAY. SORENSON

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